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SUBJ: VISIT OF LIBYAN PRIME MINISTER TO PRAGUE

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1. LIBYAN PRIME MINISTER JALLUD BEGAN OFFICIAL THREE-DAY VISIT TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA FEBRUARY 11. AFTER ARRIVAL HE MET WITH PRIMER MINISTER STROUGAL, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ROHLICEK, AND FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER BARCAK WITH AIM, ACCORDING TO PRESS, OF FURTHER EXPANDING BILATERAL ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL, AND TRADE RELATIONS. JALLUD WAS ACCOMPANIED BY ECONOMICS MINISTER ABU BAKER ASCHAREIF AND LIBYAN AMBASSADOR. IN EXCHANGE OF TOASTS AT DINNER, STROUGAL RESTATED CZECHOSLOVAK SUPPORT FOR ARAB CAUSE AND NOTED THAT ARAB PEOPLE RECIPROCATED FRIENDSHIP OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND REST OF SOCIALIST WORLD. IN RESPONSE JALLUD, AS REPORTED IN "RUDE PRAVO", SAID THAT ARAB FATHERLAND MUST UNDERGO SOCIALIST REVOLUTION SO THAT ARAB WORLD MAY PLAY ITS PROPER ROLE IN WORLD REVOLUTION.

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2. ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN "RUDE PRAVO", CZECHOSLOVAK NEWS AGENCY STATES THAT JALLUD ALSO "POINTED OUT THAT A LAW WAS PASSED IN LIBYA TODAY WHICH NATIONALIZES AMERICAN OIL OPERATIONS. HE SAID THIS WAS ALSO A RESPONSE TO THE CURRENT CONFERENCE ON THE OIL PROBLEM, HELD IN WASHINGTON AT THE INVITATION OF PRESIDENT NIXON."

3. JUDGING FROM RESPONSIBILITIES OF PERSONS INVOLVED IN TALKS, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT JALLUD'S VISIT IS PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH ECONOMIC AND TRADE MATTERS. SO FAR NO CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY LEADERS OR HIGH-LEVEL FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS ARE LISTED AS PARTICIPATING IN TALKS.

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